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The Governor's Office of Business and Economic Development and Leading Biotech Industry Executives to Announce Bay Area's Bioscience Strong Job Growth Numbers

Also to Announce California will Host World's Largest Biotechnology Gathering in San Francisco in June

WHAT:

- The Governor's Office of Business and Economic Development (GO-Biz) will join the Biotechnology Innovation Organization (BIO) to present the most up-to-date bioscience jobs and industry growth numbers for the Greater San Francisco Bay Area, including the San Jose Metropolitan Area.
- Highlight projected economic impact of forthcoming <u>BIO International</u> Convention
- Discussion of California and Bay Area initiatives in support of biotech industry growth

WHO:

- Louis Stewart, Deputy Director of Innovation and Entrepreneurship, GO-Biz
- Paul Hastings, Chairman and CEO of OncoMed Pharmaceuticals, Chair of BIO's Board Patient Advocacy Committee and Chairman of BIO International Convention Steering Committee
- Sara Radcliffe, President & CEO, California Life Sciences Association (CLSA)
- Todd Rufo, Director of the Office of Economic & Workforce Development, City of San Francisco

WHEN: Wednesday, March 9th, 2016, 3:00 pm

Lobby of Moscone South

WHERE: 747 Howard St, San Francisco, California 94103

About GO-Biz: GO-Biz serves as California's single point of contact for economic development and job creation efforts. GO-Biz offers a range of services to business owners including: attraction, retention and expansion services, site selection, permit streamlining, clearing of regulatory hurdles, small business assistance, international trade development, assistance with state government, and much more. For more information visit: www.business.ca.gov.

About BIO: BIO is the world's largest trade association representing biotechnology companies, academic institutions, state biotechnology centers and related organizations across the United States and in more than 30 other nations. BIO members are involved in the research and development of innovative healthcare, agricultural, industrial and environmental biotechnology products. BIO also produces the <u>BIO International Convention</u>, the world's largest gathering of the biotechnology industry, along with industry-leading investor and partnering meetings held around the world. <u>BIOtechNOW</u> is BIO's blog chronicling "innovations transforming our world" and the BIO Newsletter is the organization's bi-weekly email newsletter. <u>Subscribe to the BIO Newsletter</u>.

Upcoming BIO Events

BIO International Convention
June 6-9, 2016
San Francisco, Calif.

13th Annual BIO Asia International Conference
March 15-16, 2016
Tokyo, Japan

BIO-Europe Spring April 4-6, 2016 Stockholm, Sweden

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